

HOSPITAL
GE T8 Lamps with 
GE Electronic Ballasts



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Director, Facilities Services
St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center

Idaho hospital cuts over \$30,000 off annual energy bill with new GE T8 lamps with Starcoat™ technology.

Although over 25 years old, 318-bed St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center continues to provide quality healthcare service, in an acute care setting, to the residents of metropolitan Southwest Idaho.

“Although almost three decades old, we constantly work to keep our facilities as up-to-date as possible,” said Darrell Fugate, St. Alphonsus’ Director of Facilities Services. “Even so, when Idaho Power Company offered us an opportunity to take advantage of their energy conservation rebate program, it only made good business sense to examine the cost benefits of again upgrading our fluorescent lighting.”

Based on the results of a study, the St. Alphonsus Board of Directors authorized **replacing all 18,000 34-watt fluorescent lamps and magnetic ballasts with new 32-watt GE T8 lamps with Starcoat™ and 6,600 electronic ballasts.**

The new GE lamps offered better color rendition, as well as 95 percent lumen maintenance over lamp life at no extra cost. St. Alphonsus expects an annual energy savings of \$33,000 and garnered a utility rebate of \$35,000.

“The energy savings really triggered the CFO’s support for the project,” Fugate indicated. **“The change also enabled us to standardize on a single lamp supplier, plus more efficiently use the 12 staff people who do lighting maintenance as part of their job. All this has a favorable impact on our bottom line.”**



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